

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, in view of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks, is respectfully requested.

Claims 50-62 and 69-90 were originally presented for consideration in this divisional application after canceling claims 1-49 and 63-68 by preliminary amendment. Claims 60, 62, 69 and 70 have been additionally canceled above. Accordingly, claims 50-59, 61 and 71-90 are currently pending in this application.

The examiner's indication that claims 62 and 71-90 contain allowable subject matter is noted with appreciation.

The following rejections, objections, and requirements were set forth in the Office Action:

1. Claims 50, 51, 53, 57-61 and 69 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,056,059 to Ohmer;
2. Claims 50-56 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,681,862 to Freeman;
3. Claims 69 and 70 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,070,671 to Cumming et al.;
4. Claims 62 and 71-90 are objected to for depending from a rejected base claim but are otherwise allowable; and
5. A requirement is made for a new title which is indicative of the claimed invention.

Regarding the requirement for a new title, the above amendment to the specification provides a new title which is more indicative of the claimed invention.

Regarding the anticipation rejections, please note that independent claim 50 has been amended to incorporate therein the limitations of claim 62 which was indicated by the examiner as containing allowable subject matter. Therefore, claim 50 and its dependents are now seen to be in allowable form. Independent claim 69 and dependent claim 70 have been canceled.

Claims 71, 74 and 88 have been rewritten in independent form. These claims which were indicated by the examiner as containing allowable subject matter, and their dependents, are now seen to be in allowable form.

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, all of the claims pending in this application are now seen to be in a condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance of claims 50-59, 61 and 71-90 is therefore earnestly solicited.

The examiner is hereby requested to telephone the undersigned attorney of record at (972) 516-0030 if such would expedite the prosecution of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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